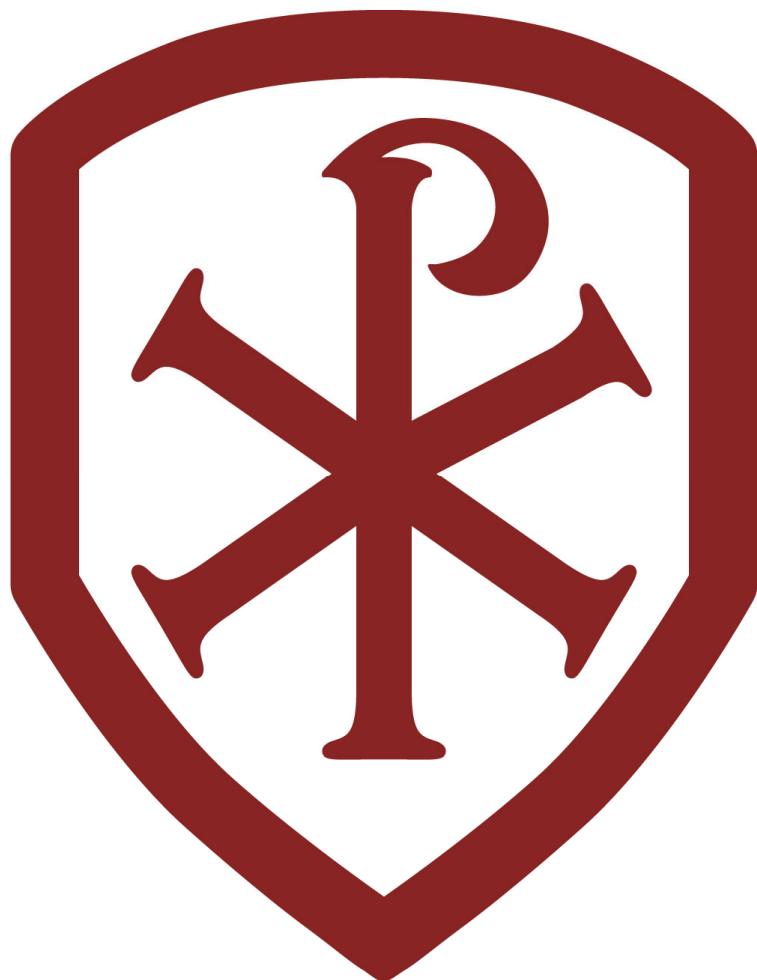


A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY



CHRISTCHURCH
ANGLICAN

1 FEBRUARY 2026

..... The Entrance Rite

Processional Hymn 523 *Please stand*

Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Glo-rious things of thee are spo-ken, Zi - on, ci - ty of our God.
He whose word can - not be bro-ken formed thee for his own a - bode.
On the Rock of A - ges found-ed, what can shake thy sure re- pose?
With sal - va - tion's walls surround-ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

Verse 2

*See! the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver
never fails from age to age.*

Verse 4

*Blest inhabitants of Zion,
washed in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
makes them kings and priests to God.
'Tis his love his people raise
over self to reign as kings:
and as priests, his solemn praises
each for a thank-offering brings.*

Verse 3

*Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner,
light by night, and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna
which he gives them when they pray.*

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant I will make you as a light for the nations,
People That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant and people

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22:37-40

The Kyrie

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.
People Christ, have mercy upon us.
Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

Song of Praise

Refrain

Glo-ry to God in the high - est! Sing, glo-ry to God! Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth! 2

Verse 1

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-migh-ty God and Fa- ther,
we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry!

Refrain

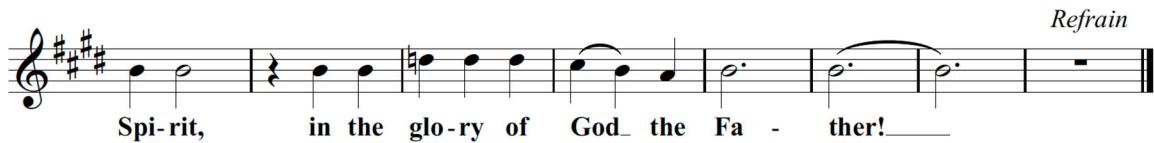
Verse 2

Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.
You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain

Verse 3

For you a - lone are the ho - ly one, you a - lone are the
Lord, the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you know that we are set in the midst of many grave dangers, and because of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant that your strength and protection may support us in all dangers and carry us through every temptation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

..... The Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson *Please be seated*

Micah 6:1-8

¹ Hear what the LORD says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. ² Hear, you mountains, the indictment of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the LORD has an indictment against his people, and he will contend with Israel. ³ “O my people, what have I done to you? How have I wearied you? Answer me! ⁴ For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. ⁵ O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the righteous acts of the LORD.” ⁶ “With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷ Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” ⁸ He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 37:1-11

¹ Fret not yourself because of the ungodly,
neither be envious of those who are evildoers.

² For they shall soon be dried up like the grass,
and be withered even as the green herb.

³ Put your trust in the LORD, and do good;
dwell in the land, and surely you shall be fed.

⁴ Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he shall give you your heart's desire.

⁵ Commit your way unto the LORD and put your trust in him,
and he shall bring it to pass.

⁶ He shall make your righteousness as clear as the light
and your just dealing as the noonday.

7 Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;
do not grieve yourself over the one whose way prospers, over the one who carries out evil counsels.

8 Refrain from wrath, and let go of anger;
fret not yourself, lest you be moved to do evil.

9 For evildoers shall be rooted out,
but those who wait patiently for the LORD, they shall inherit the land.

10 Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone;
you shall look for their place, and they shall not be there.

11 But the meek-spirited shall possess the land
and shall be refreshed with an abundance of peace.

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

¹⁸ For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” ²⁰ Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²² For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³ but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. ²⁶ For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸ God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹ so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰ And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹ so that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn Please stand

How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place

How love - ly is your dwell - ing - place, O Lord of hosts, to me;
 Be - side your al - tars, Lord of all, the swall - ows find a nest;
 And ha - ppy those whose hearts are set up - on the pil - grim ways:

my thirst - ing soul longs eag - er - ly with - in your courts to be.
 ha - ppy are those who dwell with you and praise you with - out rest.
 you are the wa - ter when they thirst, their guide to - wards your face.



The Gospel *Please remain standing*

Matthew 5:1-12



Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹ Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. ² And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: ³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. ⁵ “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶ “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. ⁷ “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. ⁸ “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. ⁹ “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰ “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹ “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon *Please be seated*

The Reverend Alan L. Reid

The Nicene Creed *Please stand*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

The Prayers of the People *Please kneel*

After each prayer, the People respond with the words “Hear our prayer.”



The Confession of Sin *Please remain kneeling*

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Absolution

The Comfortable Words

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The Peace *Please stand*

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

The ministers and people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Parish Announcements *Please be seated*



..... The Holy Communion

At the Offertory

Called Me Higher

The Congregation is invited to sing during the offertory

I could just sit.
I could just sit and wait for all your goodness,
hope to feel your presence.
I could just stay.
I could just stay right where I am
and hope to feel you,
hope to feel something again.

I could hold on.
I could hold on to who I am and never let you
change me from the inside.
I could be safe.
I could be safe here in your arms
and never leave home,
never let these walls down.

*But, you have called me higher.
You have called me deeper,
and I'll go where you will lead me, Lord.*

And I will be yours.
I will be yours for all my life.
So, let your mercy light the path before me.

Chorus



*If you'd like to give an offering this morning, you can place your gift in the offering plate,
scan the QR code to the right, or visit our website and click on the "Give" tab.*



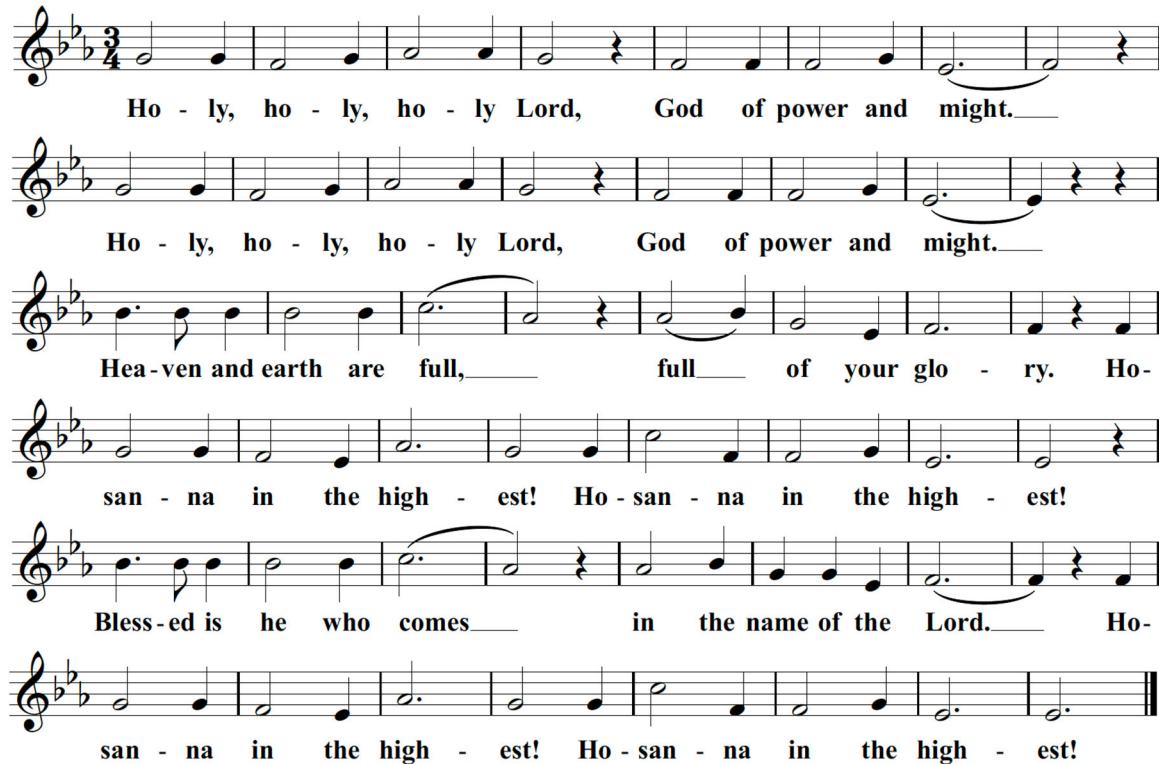
The Great Thanksgiving - Anglican Standard Text

Please stand

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with your spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

Hea-ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Please kneel

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we ask you to accept this duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us to-day our daily bread. For - give us our sins as we for- give those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from e - vil. For the king - dom the po - wer and the glo - ry are yours, now, and for - ev - er. A - men. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Prayer of Humble Access

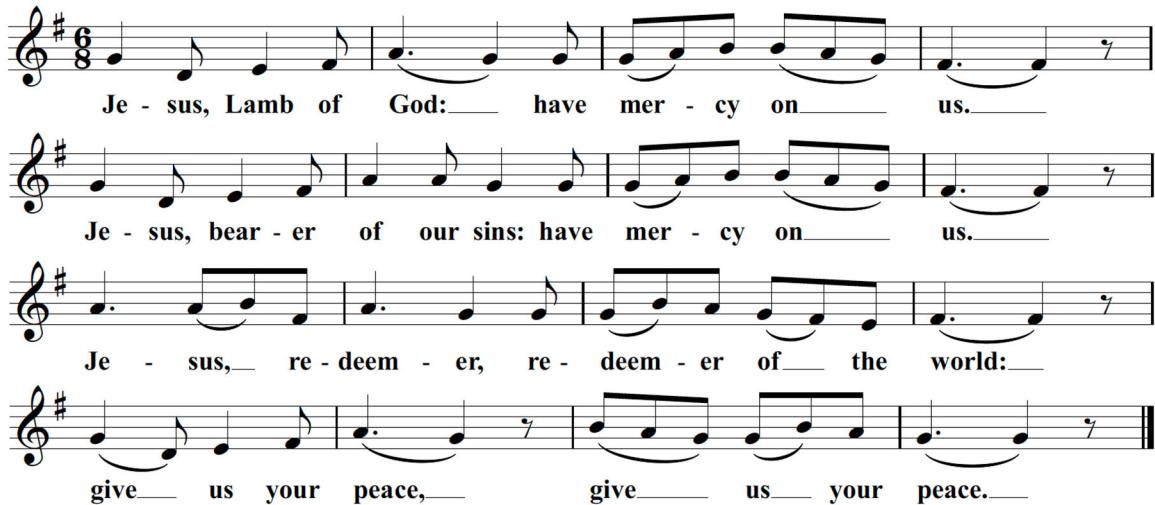
We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

Invitation to Communion *Please be seated*

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Fraction Anthem

Agnus Dei

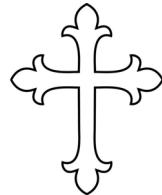


Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:

give us your peace.



Communion Music

10,000 Reasons

*Bless the Lord, O my soul.
O my soul, worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul.
I'll worship your holy name.*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;
it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes.

Chorus

You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great, and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing.
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus

And, on that day, when my strength is failing,
the end draws near, and my time has come.
Still, my soul will sing your praise unending,
ten thousand years, and then forevermore.

Chorus

Communion Music

Blessed be your name
in the land that is plentiful.
Where your streams of abundance flow,
blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name
when I'm found in the desert place.
Though I walk through the wilderness,
blessed be your name.

Every blessing you pour out,
I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in,
Lord, still I will say:

*Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord,
blessed be your glorious name.*

Blessed be your name
when the sun's shining down on me.
When the world's all as it should be,
blessed be your name.

Communion Music

A thousand times I've failed;
still, your mercy remains.
And, should I stumble again,
still, I'm caught in your grace.

Everlasting,
your light will shine when all else fades.
Never-ending,
your glory goes beyond all fame.

Your will above all else.
My purpose remains
the art of losing myself
in bringing you praise.

Everlasting,
your light will shine when all else fades.
Never-ending,
your glory goes beyond all fame.

In my heart, in my soul,
I give you control;
consume me from the inside out, Lord.
Let justice and praise
become my embrace
to love you from the inside out.

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be your name
on the road marked with suffering.
Though there's pain in the offering,
blessed be your name.

Every blessing you pour out,
I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in,
Lord, still I will say:

Chorus

You give and take away.
You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say,
Lord, blessed be your name.

Chorus

From the Inside Out

*Everlasting,
your light will shine when all else fades.
Never-ending,
your glory goes beyond all fame.
And the cry of my heart
is to bring you praise.
From the inside out,
Lord, my soul cries out.*

Post Communion Prayer *Please kneel*

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 423 *Please stand*

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
in light in - acc - ess - i - ble hid from our eyes,
most bless - ed, most glor - ious, the An - cient of Days,
al - migh - ty, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.

Verse 2

*Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.*

Verse 4

*Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.*

Verse 3

*To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,
then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.*

The Dismissal

Gospeler God is good,
People All the time!
Gospeler All the time,
People God is good!
Gospeler Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the glory of Christ.
People Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Altar Flowers are given to the Honor and
Glory of God and in Loving Memory of

Aubry Houlditch



Serving in the Liturgy

Celebrant	The Reverend Canon Andrew M. Rowell
Gospeler	The Reverend Deacon Leah M. Slawson
Assisting	The Reverend Alan L. Reid
Director of Music	The Reverend Dr. Jack N.T. Lindsay
Vergers	Dinah McLemore and Maggie Stuart
Lectors and Chalice Bearers	Charles Edmondson, Kathleen Hawthorne, and David Cobb
Crucifer	Stephen McLemore
Server	Jack Crane
Gospel Torch Bearers	Isabella Reynolds and Copeland Ming
Altar Guild	Natalie McLemore, Ann Newell, Beth Hardy, and Bethany Gamma
Greeters	Stacy Glass and Eric Glass
Prayer Team	Marybeth Farris, Emma Durham, Merrily Brewer, Judy Derickson, and the Daughters of the Holy Cross
Ushers	Michael Stewart, Bill Palmer, Harold Mann, Joseph Hixon, and Don Hale



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